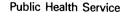
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TO:

IHS Area Directors, Statistical Officers, Program Planning Officers, and

Epidemiologists, All IHS Areas

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Revised IHS Service Area American Indian and Alaska Native Population

Projections 1991 to 2015

I am pleased to announce that annual American Indian and Alaska Native population estimates and projections for fiscal years 1990 to 2015, based upon vital events (births and deaths which occurred between 1990 to 1999 (latest 10-year period available) for IHS Areas, Service Units and Service Units by component Counties are now available. They were prepared using the SAS data sets (including the appropriate IHS Area and Service Unit names and codes) that were prepared by JoAnn Pappalardo, Computer Systems Analyst, Demographic Statistics Team (DST). Various cross tabulation tables of these data were prepared by Debra Heller, Ph.D., formerly a Statistician with (DST) and now a contractor to IHS. The cross tabulation tables will be mailed to Statistical Officers of each IHS Area as they become available. Three tables that summarize the IHS Service Area population increase between 1990 (Census enumeration) and fiscal year 2002, for each IHS Area Office are attached (Attachments A, B and C). These population estimates reflect IHS Service Area boundary changes that were made during Fiscal Years 1990-2002, as well as natural increases (birth minus deaths) that occurred 1990 to 1999. Also attached for your reference are summaries of (1) boundaries of IHS Areas and Service Units by county as of October 1, 2001, (2) changes made to IHS service area boundaries Fiscal Years 1980 to 2002, (3) percentage splits for counties split between two or more Service Units by county as of FY 2002.

Routine annual vital event cross tabulations for calendar year(s) 1999 and 1997-1999 are currently being prepared, using the SAS programming language, by Ms. Barbara Moore, Statistical Assistant, DST. These cross tabulations will be mailed to Statistical Officers of each IHS Area as they become available.

If you have any comments or questions about these materials, please feel free to call me at (301) 443-9061.

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